



Keep Brunswick County Beautiful / Brunswick County Recycling



KBCB NEWSLETTER

Happy Valentine's Day

I just want to take this moment to say that I hope everyone had a wonderful Valentine's Day. Be sure to eat all of your chocolates . . . You don't want to increase the waste stream (waist line is a different matter but it is my understanding that chocolate has no calories on February 14th).

Easy Way to Dry Roses

If your someone special sent you roses for Valentine's Day take these easy steps to preserve them for many months to come . . .



- Before the bloom fades remove them from the vase and gently pull off any faded petals or leaves. Cut about 1" off the stem (always cut at an angle).
- Gather the roses into a pleasing arrangement.
- Take a piece of sewing thread, approximately 24 inches long, and wind it tightly around the stems. Weave it in and out of the individual stems to securely fasten the entire bunch.
- Gently hang the arrangement upside down in a dry place. Gradually they will dry out and offer many months of enjoyment.



Empty Chocolate Gift Boxes

This is a terrific idea that I found posted on the website www.thriftyfun.com. This idea was posted by Gladys Hill. Not just pretty but functional (not to mention smells good).

I re-cover the outside top of box with any paper. My choice I usually plain white paper, then I cut out pretty pictures from Greeting Cards, arrange and glue them on the top.

Use only the single layer boxes. The inside compartment, I glue down to inside bottom part of box to keep it from slipping or tipping out. The individual compartments are just right for small objects of your choice.

I did a couple of these at home and they were great for storing craft beads. I also used one to store flower seeds that I was drying out. Thanks www.thriftyfun.com and Gladys Hill for this cute idea.

I don't understand why Cupid was chosen to represent Valentine's Day. When I think about romance, the last thing on my mind is a short, chubby toddler coming at me with a weapon.
— Unknown Author



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Medication Disposal Events

Safely dispose of out-of-date or unwanted medications, controlled substances, prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, liquid medications, inhalers, vitamins, and more at these two locations. Prescription drugs from the medicine cabinet are now considered the “drug of choice” for many teens wanting to “get high”. In addition, medicine that is flushed down the toilet, washed down the kitchen sink or just thrown away can end up in of water supply.

For more information about the events please visit the websites listed.

Dosher Memorial Hospital - Operation Medicine Cabinet

Website: www.dosher.org
Date: Thursday, February 24, 2011
Time: 9 am—1 pm
Address: 924 N. Howe St., Southport

Brunswick Community Hospital & Brunswick County Sheriff's Dept. Health Expo 2011

Website: www.brunswickcommunityhospital.com
Date: Saturday, February 26, 2011
Time: 9 am—2 pm
Address: 1 Medical Center Drive, Supply



Brunswick County Landfill Swap Shop

The Brunswick County Solid Waste/Recycling Department has a building located at the Brunswick County Landfill that is designated for use as an item swap and paint exchange shop. Citizens are encouraged to place used items that are in good to fair condition in this location. Citizens are also encouraged to visit the shop to see if there is anything in the building that you may be able to use.



Bargains

In the past the building was only designated for items. We are now expanding the use of the building to include what is called a paint exchange. Citizens wishing to get rid of excess paint that is still good (1/2 containers or more) should place the paint in the building for others to use. Before bringing the paint please take the time to make sure it is properly labeled. The outside of the container should have what type of paint it is, such as latex or enamel, and the color. Other items that may now be placed in this exchange area are herbicides, pesticides, fertilizers and paint thinner. All items placed in the building must be in a safe and leak proof package.

Below I have listed a brief summary of items that are currently available at the Swap Shop. I plan to update this list in every newsletter.

- Green enamel spray paint
- Several different colors of latex paint
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- Tall filing cabinets (in very good condition)
- Desk chairs (very good condition)

Inventory changes on a daily basis